

**ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY
LOCAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

Meeting of June 25, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Staples calls the meeting to order at 2:17 PM in the main conference room at the Ernest J. LaBaff Industrial Building, Canton.

ROLL CALL:

Staples	Present	McMahon	Present
LaBaff	Present	Morrill	Present
Blevins	Present	Reagen.....	Present
Hall.....	Present		

A quorum is recognized.

IDA Staff present: Patrick Kelly, Kimberly Gilbert, Lori Sibley, and Richard Williams.

PUBLIC NOTICE: Public notifications sent June 19, 2024, to, at a minimum: newspapers designated for the publication of local laws and other matters required by law to be published; additional local media sources and websites.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mr. James Bessy, resident of Norwood, attends the meeting and has no comment.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion to accept the minutes of the April 23, 2024 meeting by Mr. LaBaff, seconded by Mr. Reagen. The motion is approved unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: Ms. Gilbert reviews highlights from the February, March, and April 2024 financial reports. The *February 2024* report highlights the first installment of the RVRDA administrative expense which was paid to the SLCIDA-LDC; *March 2024* highlights reflect the RVRDA administrative funds were received by the SLCIDA-LDC, and *April 2024* highlights show the RVRDA Community Development and Environmental Improvement Program fund issuances of over \$10,000, and \$900 in miscellaneous income for the nine CDEIP applications which were received. Mr. LaBaff motions to accept the February, March, and April 2024 financial reports, seconded by Mr. Blevins. The motion is approved unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Nominating Committee (LaBaff – Chair, Blevins and Reagen). Nominating Committee Chairman Ernest LaBaff offers the following slate of officers: Brian W. Staples (Chairman), Lynn Blevins (Vice-Chairman) and Ernest LaBaff (Secretary). Hearing no other nominations, motion to accept the slate of officers made by Mr. LaBaff, seconded by Mr. McMahon. Motion carried unanimously

STAFF REPORT: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution LDC-24-06-08: Authorizing Funds through the St. Lawrence River Valley Redevelopment Agency's 2024 Community Development and Environmental Improvement Program: Mr. Kelly mentions the RVRDA and SLCIDA-LDC budgeting process allocated \$100,00 to this year's program. Exhibit A to the Resolution shows a list of recommended awards.

There were nine applications submitted this year and each one receives an award in the proposed resolution, which the RVRDA approved at their last meeting. In response to Mr. Hall's question, Mr. Kelly mentions the total amount of funds requested by applicants was approximately \$170,000. Mr. McMahon recalls the amount requested from applicants in the earlier years of the program was much higher. However, over the years, applicants are submitting requests for funding that are much lower, understanding the reality of smaller payouts as the amount of funding available each year has consistently been set at \$100,000. Mr. Kelly also mentions that ARPA funds have been available, so there are other options for funding for applicants right now. Mr. Reagen highlights the wide array of project locations around the county and the variety of projects that would typically find funding difficult. Mr. Blevins motions to approve Resolution LDC-24-06-08, seconded by Mr. LaBaff. Motion is approved by unanimous vote.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn is made by Mr. LaBaff. The meeting adjourns at 2:24 PM by unanimous vote.

Mr. Ernest LaBaff, Secretary